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tongue.
Minor outbreaks.

cattle, dourine in horses, scrapie and blue tongue in sheep, incipient or potentially serious minor outbreaks of diseases of animals, and contagious or infectious diseases of animals (such as foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, and contagious pleuropneumonia) which in the opinion of the Secretary constitute an emergency and threaten the livestock industry of the country, including the purchase and destruction of diseased or exposed animals (including poultry), or the destruction of such animals and the payment of indemnities therefor, in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe. As used in this section, the term 'State' includes the District of Columbia and the Territories and possessions of the United States."

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CHAPTER 382

AN ACT

August 8, 1953
[S. 2434]

To amend the Northern Pacific Halibut Act of 1937.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Northern Pacific Halibut Act of 1937 (50 Stat. 325, 16 U. S. C. 772) is amended as follows:

Subsection (a) is amended by deleting the words "29th day of January 1937" and substituting in lieu thereof "2d day of March 1953 and any other treaty or convention which modifies or replaces that Convention" and by deleting the words "of the International Fisheries Commission".

Subsection (b) is amended by deleting the words "International Fisheries Commission provided for by article III of the Convention", and substituting in lieu thereof "Commission provided for in the Convention".

Effective date.

This Act shall take effect on the date of entry into force of the Convention between the United States of America and Canada for the Preservation of the Halibut Fishery of the Northern Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea, signed at Ottawa, March 2, 1953.

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CHAPTER 383

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 8, 1953
[S. J. Res. 6]

To provide for a continuance of civil government for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

61 Stat. 397.

Whereas, pursuant to the authority of Public Law 204, Eightieth Congress, of July 18, 1947, the President approved the trusteeship agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands between the United States and the United Nations, effective July 18, 1947; and

3 C F R, 1947
Supp., p. 160.

Whereas responsibility for civil administration of the Trust Territory was vested in the Secretary of the Navy by Executive Order Numbered 9875 of July 18, 1947; and

48 USC note prec.
1451.

Whereas responsibility for such civil administration was transferred to the Secretary of the Interior, effective July 1, 1951, by Executive Order Numbered 10265 of June 29, 1951; and

Whereas organic legislation for the Trust Territory is now pending before the Congress: It is hereby